

# From the President, July 2009

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## **To the Georgia Tech Community:**

One of the important aspects of my role as president is to share Georgia Tech's story in an effort to communicate the positive impact our faculty, staff, students, and alumni have on their respective communities and the world. In order to do that well, Val and I first wanted to listen to your stories and learn more about your experiences here at Tech. During the past three months, we have been fortunate to hear from many of you whose remarkable achievements and good deeds have improved the lives of countless individuals at home and abroad. These stories have deepened our respect and admiration for the people, the history, and the impact of this great institution.

More recently, we have been traveling the state to hear what our alumni, local public officials, and community leaders need and want from a technological research university like Georgia Tech. These visits have been both very exciting and enlightening, and I thank all of those we visited for their time, hospitality, and input.

Georgia Tech's story has many facets, and I am eager to share these with you and others. To facilitate this process, we recently launched a redesigned Web site that will highlight recent achievements and update our university community on new developments here at Georgia Tech. The site can be found at <http://www.gatech.edu/president>, and I encourage you to visit — it will help to keep you informed and improve our communications.

**G.P. "Bud" Peterson**